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ENGINE, METHOD AND DEVICE OF ESTIMATING STARTING ENERGY  
EMPLOYED FOR STARTING METHOD AND STARTING DEVICE

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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- ☒ 2. The references were cited in a counterpart foreign application. An English language summary of the Japanese Official Communication is attached for the Examiner's information.


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- ☒ 3. English language Abstracts of the non-English language references are attached hereto.
- ☒ 4. A computer-generated English language translation of the Japanese references has been obtained from the website of the Japanese Patent Office ([<http://www.jpo.go.jp>]), and is attached, but has not been reviewed for accuracy.

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